**Surplus Teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas**

736. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the norms for adjusting the teachers who are rendered surplus in different Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) the details of surplus teachers rendered on account of transfer during the past four months; and

(c) the reasons for such transfers dislocating studies of children?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Teachers are not surplus in the aggregate. A particular teacher may become surplus in a particular Vidyalaya but there is no overall surplus of teachers. No teacher has been retrenched as surplus. Transfers are generally done as per the guidelines and should not dislocate the studies of children. Moreover Principals have been authorised to fill up the vacancies locally on adhoc or part time basis as per rules, with a view to avoid loss of studies of students.

**Modernisation of Stations in Bihar**

737. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on stations situated in the districts of Patna, Rohtas and Bhojpur of Bihar during the last three years and the amount proposed to be spent during the current year plan; and

(b) the proposals under consideration with the Government for development and modernisation of these stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Railways do not maintain Civil Districtwise figures of expenditure. It is Railway's endeavour to provide facilities at stations, including those in Patna, Rohtas and Bhojpur Districts of Bihar as per prescribed norms, based on the volume of traffic dealt with. Further development/modernisation of stations, in any plan period, is undertaken as per traffic requirements, subject to availability of funds and comparative needs of various stations.

**Speed of Super Fast Trains**

[*Translation*]

738. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase the speed of super fast trains to 140 k.m. per hour;

(b) whether the Railways have developed high-tech tracks on which trains can run at the above-mentioned speed; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) There is no proposal at present.

(b) and (c). Necessary where withal for upgrading tracks on superfast train routes for 140 kmph. speeds is available. Upgrading of tracks would be taken up on identified routes, as a part of schemes for raising speeds of superfast trains.